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REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN.

We the subscribers, Selectmen of Troy, submit the following report for the year ending March 1st, 1883.

AMOUNT OF MONEY APPROPRIATED THE SEVERAL HIGHWAY SURVEYORS,

For the Repair of Highways for the Year 1882.

District No. 1,	Alanson Starkey, surveyor,	$39 97
" 2,	John R. Dean, "	47 01
" 3,	Alfred G. Lawrence, "	48 85
" 4,	Hamilton Parker, "	52 12
" 5,	Joseph Haskell, "	54 07
" 6,	Alva S. Clark, "	54 81
" 7,	Luke C. Clark, "	26 81
" 8,	Edmund Bemis, "	25 40
" 9,	James W. Woodward, "	16 34
" 10,	John M. Davis, "	57 33
" 11,	Joseph M. Foster, "	59 05
" 12,	Luther Whittemore, "	20 53
" 13,	Carlos M. Barnard, "	23 73
		526 02

AMOUNT APPROPRIATED FOR SCHOOLS

In the Year 1882.

Assessed for the year 1882,	1075 00
Literary fund from the State,	88 80
Interest on School Fund note,	24 00
	1187 80

DIVISION OF SCHOOL MONEY FOR 1882.

District No. 1,			827 56
" 2,			73 72
" 3,	Amount apportioned,	$138 95	
	Due from 1881, not expended,	65 54	204 49
" 4,			143 41
Herbert E. Wilder, school tax to be paid in Fitzwilliam,			4 16
			1253 34

AMOUNT OF MONEY EXPENDED.

District No. 1, James C. Parker,	$827 56
" 2, Oren H. Peck,	70 00
" 3, Joseph Haskell,	177 44
" 4, William N. Watson,	143 41
	1218 41

Districts No. 1 and 4 have drawn appropriations in full.

Due District No. 2,	$ 3 72
" " 3,	27 05
Herbert E. Wilder, tax not paid,	4 16

STATE AND COUNTY TAXES.

State Tax,	932 00
County Tax,	681 16
	1613 16

COUNTY POOR.

Paid James L. Stanley, team to convey Lois Corliss, to Westmoreland,	3 00
Benj. F. Fox, board and nursing Lois Corliss,	5 00
John W. Metcalf, entertaining Mrs. Scott & child,	2 00
	10 00

TOWN POOR.

Paid Oliver P. Whitcomb, boarding George Stowell 1 yr.,	85 00
Francis Stone, boarding and nursing Lizzie V. Harrington's child,	15 00
C. W. Whitney, goods delivered to Henry Grimes,	14 99
Francis Stone, boarding Lizzie V. Harrington 7 weeks,	10 50
Francis Stone, boarding and nursing Lizzie V. Harrington's child,	15 00
Orphans' Home at Franklin for assuming care of the Harrington child,	75 00
E. P. Kimball & Son, meal to Henry Grimes,	1 85
John T. Leonardson, boarding George Stowell to March 1, 1883,	63 75
	281 09

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Paid C. W. Whitney, suction hose and express on same,	$12	77
" " 4 lanterns,	3	60
" " straps, broom and oil,		71
Fred A. Harris, services of 35 engine men,	105	00
	122	08

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Joseph Haskell, work on the highway in Dist. No 5,	5	28
A. G. Lawrence, railing roads and cash paid for same,	28	15
C. W. Whitney, for powder used on road,	1	00
William N. Watson, work on highway in Dist. No. 11,	5	00
Joseph Haskell, " " " 5,	47	07
E. P. Kimball, " " " 10,	13	85
Edmund Bemis, for bridge railing	15	90
" " work & cash paid for work on sluice&bridge,	1	50
" " widening road near school house in Dist. No. 3,	52	17
" " cash paid for powder and fuse,	3	63
Gregory Lawrence for bridge railing,	58	41
" " lumber used on bridge near C. D. Farrar's mill,	3	50
Levi A. Fuller, bridge plank,	44	28
Hamilton Parker, over work on highway, Dist. No. 4,	12	68
John Lang, work on highway near his house, 1881-2,	1	50
James C. Parker, bridge plank,		68
	294	80

BREAKING ROADS.

Luke C. Clark,	winter of	1881–2,	10 50
Henry Frazier,	"	1881,	5 00
David P. Lowe,	"	1882,	1 95
E. P. Kimball,	"	1881–2	5 49
Hamilton Parker,	"	1882–3	11 13
Lovell P. Butler,	"	" "	2 70
James W. Woodward,	"	" "	1 90
William N. Watson,	"	" "	7 26
John R. Dean,	"	" "	2 40
Joseph M. Foster,	"	" "	9 67
			58 00

ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

Charles A. Hubbard, paid in Boston,		$1 41
Nicholas Grimes, over assessment of dog tax,		1 00
Nancy B. Wheeler, over assessment,		1 41
Sarah Haskell, " "		4 76
Will H. Harris, paid in Sullivan, assessed in 1881,		1 39
Clarence Morse, assessed in 1881,		1 39
John Parker, " "		1 39
David E. Raymond, " "		1 39
Fitzwilliam Granite Co. " "		2 09
Alpheus M. Forristall, " 1879,		1 08
John T. Leonardson, " "		1 49
William Sebastian, " 1880,		1 46
		20 26

SUNDRY TOWN BILLS PAID.

Paid Dr. M. T. Stone, certificates of births and deaths,	4 50
" " vaccinating 9 persons,	2 25
George H. Aldrich & Son, insuring town hall,	60 00
Whittemore & Co., printing town reports,	20 00
Mullen & Whitcomb, blacksmithing,	4 78
JamesR.Stanley,build'g sluice nearC.W.Whitney's,	150 00
" " blasting ledge,	11 41
" " extra grading,	6 00
" " gravel used in covering sluice,	1 70
John W.Metcalf, b'd of selectmen while m'k'g taxes,	3 85
" " entertaining D. A. Mack & 1 tramp,	3 00
Charles S. Starkey, damage to carriage on highway,	4 00
Edmund Bemis, expenses of himself and wife to carry Harrington child to Franklin,	12 45
Batchelder&Faulkner, counsel and retainer,1881-2,	18 00
Charles Whitcomb, blacksmithing,	4 37
E. P. Kimball & Son, bell rope for the town hall,	6 12
" " " stationery,	1 58
" " " boards for hay scales,	70
" " " scale book,	2 25
" " spikes used in railing bridges,	70
Edmund Bemis, stationery,	2 87

Paid Edmund Bemis, expenses to Keene,	$	80
" cash paid for dinners for selectmen while taking invoice,	1	87
" cash paid for crow bounty,		20
Ezekiel Starkey for teams for selectmen,	2	75
A. G. Lawrence paid Charles Haskell for board while making taxes,	2	00
" cash paid for crow bounty,		40
" stationery,	1	00
Sentinel Printing Co. for order book,	6	25
" " burial record,	5	75
Lane & Dole, counsel in 1879,	8	00
Charles H. Gove, repairs on park,	4	70
Alanson Starkey, services as sexton,	2	35
Alva S. Clark, for Sidney A. Butler's non-resident highway tax worked out,	1	54
William A. Harris, painting south park fence and labor on engine house,	2	30
James L. Stanley, services as sexton,	14	50
" teams for selectmen,	4	50
" cash paid for 2 policemen's badges,	2	75
Alva S. Clark, printing blanks and stamps,	2	78
Ezekiel Starkey, wood for town hall,	2	50
A. G. Lawrence, "	4	50
James C. Parker, bounty on crows,	2	20
" appointment blanks,	1	00
" paid H. C. Newton for printing notices,	1	00
" expenses to Keene,		80
Hamilton Parker, drawing stone and repairing sluice near Thomas A. Birtwhistle's,	14	05
	411	02

TOWN OFFICERS BILLS PAID.

Henry W. Farrar, services as selectman,	56	50
Edmund Bemis, " "	45	75
William A. Harris, " "	41	45
David W. Goodale, supt. school committee,	41	03
Asa C. Dort, town treasurer,	20	00

Alva S. Clark, town collector 1881,	60 00
Henry M. Whittemore, town clerk part of year,	4 00
William N. Watson, " supervisor of check list,	5 00
William G. Silsby, " " "	9 00
" " " auditor.	4 50
William Butler, " " "	4 50
M. T. Stone, superintending school committee 1882,	22 50
	314 23

NOTES AND INTEREST PAID.

Paid Augustus Hodgkins note and interest,	328 46
Maria Wheeler, interest on note for one year,	36 00
Miriam Holt, " on notes,	69 95
Mary A. Blodgett, " on 3 notes,	130 50
Miriam Holt, endorsement on note,	50 00
James C. Parker, cash lent the town and interest,	138 00
Edmund Bemis, interest on money paid Orphans Home,	2 50
Chas. H. Gove, interest on note to Feb. 22. 1883,	34 24
Mary A. Blodgett, note and interest,	915 97
Miriam Holt, " "	358 90
Asa C. Dort, town treasurer interest on school fund note,	24 00
	2088 52
Special school house tax in District No. 3,	52 30

RECAPITULATION.

Schools,	1218 41
State and County Taxes,	1613 16
County Poor,	10 00
Town Poor,	281 09
Fire Department,	122 08
Highways and Bridges,	294 80
Breaking Roads,	58 00
Abatement of taxes,	20 26
Sundry Town Bills paid,	411 02
Town officers bills,	414 23
Notes and Interest paid,	2088 52
Special school house tax in District No. 3.	52 30
	6483 87

REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER.

1882. ASA C. DORT, Town Treasurer. DR.

Feb. 28,	Taxes in hands of E. P. Kimball, coll. 1875,		$134 63
	" " Alva S. Clark, " 1879,		3 65
	" " " " " 1880,		15 64
	" " " " " 1881,		987 90
	Cash in treasury,		444 65
	School Fund note,		400 00
Apr. 24,	Taxes assessed for the year 1882:—		
	State tax,	$932 00	
	County tax,	681 16	
	Town charges,	1500 00	
	Schooling,	1075 00	
	Special highway tax,	100 00	
	Cistern near Fisher Silsby's,	75 00	
	Resident Highway tax,	30 46	
	Non-resident " "	267 39	
	Dog tax, "	44 00	
	School house tax, Dist. No. 3,	52 30	
	Taxes run above sum voted,	100 36	4857 67
	Received of treasurer, railroad tax,		102 29
	" " savings bank tax,		1070 59
	" " literary fund,		88 78
Aug. 26,	Cash borrowed of James C. Parker,		36 00
31,	" " "		100 00
Apr. & Oct.	Rec'd of County, for support of paupers,		23 90
	" James C. Parker, com. Dist. No. 1, use of school room,		20 00
	" Franklin Ripley, town clerk, billiard license,		19 00
	Interest on school fund note,		24 00
	" James R. Stanley, use of town hall,		22 47
	" Alva S. Clark, int. on 1881 taxes,		24 34
Feb. 26, '83,	" E. P. Kimball, use of hay scales,		34 93
			8410 44

1883.	ASA C. DORT, TOWN Treasurer,	CR.
Feb. 28,	By taxes in hands of E. P. Kimball, coll. 1875,	134 63
	" " A. S. Clark, " 1880,	2 92
	" " " 1881,	72 69
	" " " 1882,	878 55
	School fund note,	400 00
	Payment of 98 orders of the selectmen,	6483 87
	Cash in the treasury,	437 78
		8410 44

LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN,
March 1st 1883.

Maria Wheeler, note and interest,	818 80
Miriam Holt, " "	921 15
Charles H. Gove,	500 38
Mary A. Blodgett,	1023 50
Mary A. Blodgett,	1023 50
School fund note,	400 00
Due E. P. Kimball, collecting taxes 1875,	50 00
A. S. Clark, " 1882,	60 00
Edmund Bemis, services as selectman for 1882,	58 50
James C. Parker, " "	40 00
Alfred G. Lawrence, " "	40 00
Asa C. Dort, services as town treasurer, "	20 00
Franklin Ripley, " clerk, "	20 00
Charles W. Brown, " supervisor,	7 25
School District No. 2,	3 72
School District No. 3,	27 05
Herbert E. Wilder, to Fitzwilliam,	4 16
Total liabilities of the town, March 1st, 1883,	5018 01

ASSETS OF THE TOWN NOT AVALIABLE.

Due from United States	$1386 00
Value of hay scales,	300 00
Town Meadow,	10 00
Town derrick,	200 00
Patent road scraper,	50 00
Bridge plank on hand,	30 00
	1976 00

AVAILABLE ASSETS OF THE TOWN.

March 1, 1883.

Outstanding taxes in hands of E. P. Kimball, coll.				1875,	134 63
"	"	"	A. S. Clark,	" 1880,	2 92
"	"	"	"	" 1881,	72 69
"	"	"	"	" 1882,	878 55
Cash in treasury March 1, 1883,					437 78
					1526 57
Total liabilities of the town, March 1, 1883.					5018 01
Available assets subtracted,					1526 57
Indebtedness of the town March 1, 1883,					3491 44

Indebtednes of the town March 1, 1882, $5274 13.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

EDMUND BEMIS,
JAMES C. PARKER,
A. G. LAWRENCE,
Selectmen of Troy.

I have this first day of March, A. D. 1883, carefully examined and compared the reports of the Selectmen and Treasurer and find them correctly cast with the proper vouchers.

WILLIAM G. SILSBY, Auditor.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

The Fire wards respectfully submit the following report for the past year.

The engine and apparatus is in good working order, and is efficient for most any emergency. A good feeling exists in the company and all are ready to promptly respond to the alarm of fire. There are but 26 men in the company.

We have had but two fires, both at C. D. Farrar's mills, with a loss of, perhaps $3500. The engine saved twice its cost at the first fire, on the day of the firemen's muster at Keene. The condemned hose has been sold and the proceeds applied in part payment for a piece of new suction hose, which was needed. For expense of this department, see selectmen's report.

C. W. WHITNEY,
W. G. SILSBY,
A. C. DORT.
GEORGE BROWN,
C. D. FARRAR,
Fire Wards.

REPORT OF THE

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Fellow Citizens,—I submit the following report of schools in the town of Troy for the year ending March 1st 1883.

With two exceptions, experienced teachers have been employed. The general condition of the schools has been good and the previous standard of excellence has been maintained.

Most of the schools have progressed harmoniously, and teachers and pupils have worked in unison and concord. Failure in all cases should not be attributed to inability of teachers. Many injudicious remarks are made by parents and others, in regard to teachers and the management of schools, tending to lower them in the scholars estimation, begetting prejudices and destroying teachers power for good.

Again progress in some schools would be more satisfactory if teachers would remember that instruction should be adapted to the mental capacity of the pupil, and give explanations in language which can be understood. Prompt and constant attendance, short lessons well committed, pleasant remarks and explanations by teachers produce the best results. Absence, tardiness, too many studies at a time and poorly demonstrated, tend to discouragement, indecision, confusion, and backwardness of many scholars. The worth of school work is shown, not so much by what the pupils commit to memory but by what they manifest in thought, speech and writing. A capable, experienced, earnest teacher, watchful parents, well disposed scholars, a good school room, comfortable, convenient, well supplied with means for instruction make a good school. For all of these let us strive in the futme.

The Grammar school has been taught during the year as successfully and efficiently as in the past. The North Primary having an excellent teacher maintained its former standing. The South Primary examinations showed good progress and were a credit to both teacher and pupils.

The Summer term in District No. 2 was the teacher's first attempt. She labored earnestly and very good progress was made. The teacher for the winter term was also inexperienced. The school was commenced with a determination to succeed. Your committee was unable to be present at the close of the term, but parents present speak well of all exercises.

Summer term in District No. 3, showed good work well performed. The progress during the fall term was good. For want of confidence the pupils did not do themselves or teacher justice at the examination. The examination for the winter term passed off pleasantly, notwithstanding the school was somewhat broken by irregular attendance.

The teacher in District No. 4 for the summer term was thorough and successful in her work. The examination for the winter term was also satisfactory.

Amount of money appropriated for support of schools $1163.78, raised by law $1075, literary fund $88.78. Amount appropriated for each district can be learned by consulting selectmen's report. The total number of weeks school was 135 1-2. Average number of weeks to each school 22 1-2. Number of children between five and fifteen, who have not attended school 11. Number visits by citizens, 266. Number of visits by prudential committee, 16. Number of visits by superintending committee, 27. Of 193 scholars, eleven have not been absent or tardy during the year.

M. T. STONE,
Superintending School Committee.

TABULAR STATEMENT.

No. of District.	Terms.	Name of Teacher	Wages per month, including Board.	No. of Weeks of School.	No. of Scholars.	Average daily Attendance.	Number of Scholars not absent.	Number of Scholars attending not less than two weeks during the year.	Reading.	Spelling.	Penmanship.	Arithmetic.	Geography.	Grammar.	History.	Composition.	Other studies.
No. 1, G. D.	Summer	Mrs. L. B. Wright,	$48	10	37	31	7	50	37	37		31	15	18	30	37	29
" " "	Fall	"	$48	12	32	29	6		32	32		28	23	20	32	32	27
" " "	Winter	"	$52	7	29	26	6		29	29		27	22	8	20	29	19
" N. P. D.	Summer	Lillian A. Wright,	$32	9.8	40	35	4	42	40	40	29	29	19	9			
" " "	Fall	"	$32	12.5	46	40	4		46	46	37	34	21	12			
" S. P. D.	Summer	Mattie B. Clark,	$32	10	37	32	5	49	37	32	25	27	20	12	1		12
" " "	Fall	"	$32	12.4	39	33	11		39	35	24	26	20	6			12
No. 2,	Summer	Susie A. Haskell,	$20	6	9	8	3	12	9	9	9	5	5			3	
"	Winter	Herbert D. Gee,	$20	9	12	11	4		12	12	12	8	8	6	5	7	
No. 3,	Summer	Jennie Newton,	$11	11	13	10	4	15	13	13	13	6	6	4			
"	Fall	Ella M. Allen,	$8	8	13	10	1		13	13	13	10	10	6	1		
"	Winter	Mary A. Harmon,	$10	10	10	7			10	10	10	7	10	6	2		1
No. 4,	Summer	Ella M. Smith,	$9	9.6	19	16	7	25	19	19	13	13	7	7			
"	Winter	Lizzie L. Hayward,	$10	10.8	24	19	3		24	24	20	19	9	10	5		1

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